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JUST RECEIVED  
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HAVE Received by the French Mail a Choice Assortment of GOODS for the Present Season, consisting of—  
New Shapes in Ladies' and Children's TRIMMED and UNTRIMMED FELT, BEAVER, SEAL, and VELVET HATS,  
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etc., etc.

QUEEN'S ROAD,

Hongkong, December 10, 1875.

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A COLLECTION OF NEARLY 8,000 CHINESE PROVERBS, Translated and Classified, with an Introductory Essay, and Copious Index, by WILLIAM SCARBOROUGH, Wesleyan Missionary, Hongkong.

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## ON SALE.

FOR SALE: Malasina COAL, in lots to suit purchasers. Large Hand-picked, Double-screened at \$8 per Ton. SMALL, at 50 per Ton.

Apply to

F. C. GLOVER,

No. 1, Queen's Road and at East Point,

Hongkong, December 8, 1875.

## Intimations.

### NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 24th Inst., until the 6th Proxim, both days inclusive.

A. NEWTON,  
Manager,  
Honkong, December 10, 1875.

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NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 51.

CHINA SEA.

FOOCHOW DISTRICT.

OCKSEU ISLAND LIGHTHOUSE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Light on the High or West Ockeu Island was exhibited for the first time at sunset on the 3rd December, 1875.

The illuminating apparatus is revolving Dioptric, of the First Order, showing white flashes at one minute intervals.

The Light is elevated 286 feet above the level of the sea, and, in clear weather, it would be visible from a distance of 24 nautical miles.

The Tower is round, of stone, 35 feet high, with a total height from its base to the lantern vase of 64 feet.

The Tower is painted black, but the dwellings and boundary wall are painted white.

The temporary fixed light, referred to in Notice to Mariners No. 34, has been discontinued.

Approximate position—Latitude 24° 50' N. Longitude 119° 28' E.

By order of the Inspector General of Customs.

DAVID M. HENDERSON,  
Engineer-in-Chief.

Imp. Mar. Customs,  
Engineer's Office.

Ockeu, December 4, 1875.

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NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 52.

CHINA SEA.

AMOY DISTRICT.

TSING-SEU LIGHTHOUSE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Tsing-seu Light on the Northern-slope of the Island at the entrance to the outer harbor of Amoy was exhibited for the first time at sunset of the 13th December.

The illuminating apparatus is fixed Dioptric, of the Fourth Order, showing a red light from N. 12° E. to N. 57° W. a white light from N. 57° W. round by W. and S. to S. 50° E. and a red light from S. 50° E. to S. 89° E. The bearings are magnetic and taken from seaward.

The Light is elevated 130 feet above the level of the sea, and, in clear weather, the white light should be visible at a distance of 16 nautical miles, and the red light at 8.

The Tower is octagonal, of stone and brick, 20 feet high, with a total height from its base to the lantern vase of 38 feet.

The Tower is painted in alternate red and white vertical stripes, and the dwellings are white.

Approximate position—Latitude N. 24° 22'. Longitude E. 118° 7'.

By order of the Inspector General of Customs.

DAVID M. HENDERSON,  
Engineer-in-Chief.

Engineer's Office Custom House,

Amoy, December 14th, 1875.

N.B.—The Tai-Tan Island Light, No. 10

Third Issue of List of Chinese Lights for 1875, will not be discontinued till further notice.

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THE CELESTIAL EMPIRE.

A WEEKLY RECORD OF COMMERCE,  
POLITICS, LITERATURE AND  
SCIENCE.

THE wide scope of this periodical, embracing, as it does, information of the most varied nature on matters connected with China and the Chinese—their language, literature, customs and politics; local and foreign intelligence; a complete compendium of all the commercial news of the week, with the well-known *Shan-ai* Statistics of Imports, and Export-tables of Produce; and summarising the literary gossip of every European mail, upon its arrival from the best of the London and New York Papers—renders it peculiarly adapted alike for circulation at the Out-ports and in Japan, and for transmission to one's friends at Home.

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Twenty Dollars per Annum.

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Which are quoted on very reasonable terms.

Shanghai, December 17, 1875.

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THE CHINA GAZETTE

AND CHINA MAIL

OF SHANGHAI.

Agents.

FOR SALE.

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Apply to

F. C. GLOVER,

No. 1, Queen's Road and at East Point,

Hongkong, December 8, 1875.

## Intimations.

### NOTICE.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

MONDAY, the 24th day of January, 1876.

At 3 o'clock in the Afternoon, the

opportunity of receiving a Report of the

Directors, together with a Statement of

Accounts, declaring a Dividend, and electing

an Auditor.

By order of the Board of Directors,

P. A. DA COSTA,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 31, 1875.

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By order of the Inspector General of Customs.

DAVID M. HENDERSON,  
Engineer-in-Chief.

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## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. AMAZONE.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. "Amazone," from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained from MORDAY, the 3rd January, 1876.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before 5 p.m. To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after THURSDAY, the 6th Inst., at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

C. BERTRAND,

Principal Agent.

Hongkong, December 30, 1875.

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OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "Napoleon," are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into craft, and landed at the Godowns of the Undersigned, in both cases it will do to Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after the 31st December, 1875.

Goods undelivered after 7th January, 1876, will be subject to rent.

BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, December 30, 1875.

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S. S. EGERIA;

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND

SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Goods by the above Steamer are hereby notified, that the Cargo is being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless applied for by the Consignees before Noon To-day, the 3rd Instant.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SIEMENS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 8, 1876.

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FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND

SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. "Araratian Ayas" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed and stored at their risk and expense.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS &amp; Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 4, 1876.

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CONSIGNEES of Cargo per German Barque "IRIS," WENDT, Master, from Hamburg, are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by W. M. PUSTA & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 3, 1876.

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BRITISH SHIP GRYFE, FROM

LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel, will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

VOGEL, HAGEDORN &amp; Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 30, 1875.

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INTIMATIONS.

NOTICE.

In the Goods of GEORGE BARTY FALCONER, Deceased.

ALL Persons having any CLAIMS against the above Estate are requested to send in Particulars of the same to the Undersigned, on or before the 26th Day of February, 1876, after which date no Claims will be recognized.

And all Persons being indebted to the said Estate are requested to make Immediate Payment.

I. B. FALCONER,

Administrator.

Hongkong, December 8, 1875.

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COAL DEPOT.

COALS of every description supplied to Steamers by the Undersigned.

Orders may be left at the Godowns, Wanchai, with Mr. J. MacLachlan, or Leong An Yon, Kwong-hing, Peiping.

LANDSTEIN &amp; Co.

Hongkong, November 1, 1875.

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PILOTAGE.

VESSELS inward bound will receive 1/4 lots from Reef Island, from this date.

Outward bound Vessels will apply to FIRST-CLASS PILOTS by calling to the Undersigned at Praya Central, No. 29.

The Pilotboat's Flag is No. 5 at the main mast.

H. F. STUART.

Hongkong, April 5, 1875.

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## TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR MANILA.

The Steamship "ESMERALDA," Captain THIBAUD, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 6th instant, at Noon, instead of as previously notified.

For Freight or Passage, apply to A. MACG. HEATON.

Hongkong, January 5, 1876.

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OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Taking Cargo &amp; Passengers at through rates for HANKOW, NINGPO, &amp; PORTS IN

JAPAN.

The Company's Steamship "PRIMA"

will be despatched on or about the 13th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 5, 1876.

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FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND

CALCUTTA.

The Steamship "VENICE"

Capt. WARREN, will receive immediate despatch as above.

The date of her departure will be fixed shortly.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHERSON &amp; Co.

Hongkong, January 5, 1876.

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NOTICE.

TO CONSIGNEES OF OPTIONAL CARGO, EX O. S. S. CO.'S S. S. SARPEDON, FROM LIVERPOOL.

SHIPPING ORDERS must be obtained from the Undersigned not later than the 10th instant, for shipment per "Prima."

BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 5, 1876.

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GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

ANE CRAWFORD &amp; Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Sale Room, Praya, on

FRIDAY,

the 7th January, 1876, at Noon.

Blank Account and Memo Books, Fancy Cashmere, Flexible Coat and Vest Buttons, Vest Pieces, Colored Ivory Buttons, Carpenters' Adjusters, Japanese Vases, Heart Rugs.

Also,

50 cases Brandy.

20 cases Jules Robin &amp; Co.'s Cognac.

10 pieces Grey Shirts.

do., do.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7.

The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, Jan. 5, 1876.

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NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 63.

CHINA SEA.

TAKOW DISTRICT.

FISHER ISLAND-LIGHTHOUSE, PESCADORES.

NOTICE is hereby given that the new Light on the S. W. extremity of Fisher Island near Litalah Point was exhibited for the first time at sunset of the 20th December. The new Tower has been erected near the old stone one which has since been removed.

The illuminating apparatus is fixed Dioptric, of the Fourth Order, showing a white light visible all round except where obscured by the islands.

The Light is elevated 205 feet above the level of the sea, and, in clear weather, it should be visible at a distance of 15 nautical miles.

The Tower is round, of iron, 20 feet high, with a total height from its base to the lantern vase of 33 feet.

The Tower is painted black, and the dwellings and boundary wall will be painted white.

Approximate position.—

Latitude, N. 33° 52' 56".

Longitude, E. 119° 28' 77".

By order of the Inspector General of Customs.

DAVID M. HENDERSON,

Engineer-in-Chief.

Imperial Maritime Customs,

Engineers' Office.

Amoy, December 31, 1875.

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS,

STEAM FOR

AIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUZ, ISMALLA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSEILLES;

Also,

PONDICHERRY, MADRAS AND

CALCUTTA.

ON THURSDAY, the 18th January, 1876, at Noon, the Company's S. S. "MEIKONG," Commandant of MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIES, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping orders will be granted till noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m., on the 12th January, 1876. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

C. BERTRAND, Principal Agent.

Hongkong, January 5, 1876.

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COALS of every description supplied to Steamers by the Undersigned.

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LANDSTEIN &amp; Co.

Hongkong, November 1, 1875.

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H. F. STUART.

Hongkong, April 5, 1875.

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## TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR SALE.

BANTJEN'S PATENT

COMPOSITION PAINT,

For Ships Bottoms,

Sole Agents for China.

W. BLACKHEAD &amp; Co.

Hongkong, January 5, 1876.

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TENDERS will be received by the Undersigned, until Noon on SATURDAY,

the 8th instant, for Docking and Repairing

the British Ship "Carolus Magnus."

For particulars apply to Captain, or to

WIELER &amp; Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 5, 1876.

man he presented his credentials to the local mandarins and consequently secured their protection, but that on his return shortly he failed to do this and the only thing known was that a foreign armed body was about to force its way into Yunnan. This fact induced the frontier people to form themselves into military detachments to resist the invasion. Thus, says the *Press*, it is evident that the Chinese will endeavour to make it appear that poor Margary's cruel fate was partly due to his own carelessness, and thus palliate, as far as they can, the criminal conduct of the Yunnan officials.

This attempt will, however, it thinks, finally fail. "There is no question that some one or other will have to suffer for the outrage, and the Chinese Government has very likely now settled who are to be offered up. It never experiences any difficulty in obtaining heads. While, therefore, this is the case, it will not be a matter for surprise, that when there is the shadow of suspicion against men in the lower ranks, they are unhesitatingly condemned, in order that greater criminals may be screened." But the English Commissioners will, perhaps, be able to prevent such gross miscarriage of justice as the execution of innocent men. "They will be sure to do so; it is plain to their minds that the proceedings will be so conducted that they will be unable to arrive at any satisfactory conclusion on the subject."

**THE HONGKONG NATIVE PRESS.** The *Chinese Mail* inserts an Edict from the *Peiping Gazette* in reference to the murder of Margary. The Chinese Commissioners recommended the dismissal of two mandarins who were in charge of the place where the murder was committed. The decree granted the prayer, and ordered the two officials to be placed on their trial.

The *Chung-Ngoi San Po* (the Chinese issue of the *Daily Press*) notes the appointment of Chinese and French officials to investigate the riot that took place some time ago in reference to the Ningpo Ceme-

ter. The *Universal Circulating Herald* comments on the question of the Customs Blockade of Macao. It says the decay of Macao is attributable to two causes—the abolition of the coolie-trade, and the prohibition of Wai-sing in Canton.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Legislative Council will meet on Friday, the 7th January 1876, at 2.30 p.m.

**H. M. GUNBOAT** Mosquito has just come out of Kowloon Dock, where she has been undergoing repairs.

The Amoy races, fixed for the 19th and 20th instant, have been postponed until the 24th and 25th instant.

We have received a copy of the very neatly set up *Ladies' Directory* or Red Book for Shanghai, for 1876, and congratulate its publishers on their successful effort to produce so useful a little volume. In addition to the list of ladies residing in the Model Settlement, it gives market prices, tables of weights and measures, mail tables, postage rates, and ample space for visiting notes. The work is, doubtless, by this time, in the hands of every lady—and beaux—at Shanghai.

It is said that Li Han-chang has already made a preliminary report to the Imperial Government of the state of affairs in Yunnan. He appears first to have been met with the statement that when Mr. Margary passed through Yunnan on his way to Burma, he presented his credentials to the local mandarins, and consequently secured their protection; but that on his way back he failed to do this, and the only thing that was known was, that a foreign armed body was about to force its way into Yunnan. Consequently, as the officials, the frontier military began to form themselves into military detachments to resist the invasion. Wu-chi-leang, the Tung-chueh of Teng-yuan, a town in Chinese territory, where the movement was first, omitted to take any preventive measures; and afterwards, when the crime had been committed, and Tsui, the acting Governor of Kunming, issued commands for the arrest of the ring-leaders, he entirely failed to exert himself to do so. Chang, the Generalissimo of forces in that district, a mandarin of the red button, was also guilty of great dereliction of duty in not taking steps for the capture of the criminals; and both he and Wu are recommended to the imperial censure. The Emperor is said to have ordered their degradation and they are to await their trial when the English Commissioners arrive. Such is the news from Yunnan for Chinese sources, etc. Peking.—*Concord & Gazette*.

**SHIPPING.**—The following is a list of steamers from Foochow to London which sailed during the current season, with the length of their voyages:—*Friendship*, sailed June 6, arrived July 21, 45 days; *Friendship*, June 16, sailed June 9, arrived July 26, 47 days; *State of Virginia*, sailed June 10, arrived July 24, 44 days; *Agreement*, sailed June 11, arrived July 30, 49 days; *State-mate*, sailed June 18, arrived August 12, 50 days; *Montgomery*, sailed June 20, arrived August 14, 55 days; *City of Baltimore*, sailed June 22, arrived June 23, arrived August 10, 49 days; *Asia*, sailed July 9, arrived September 7, 50 days; *China Castle*, sailed July 15, arrived September 18, 57 days.

*Sheridan*, sailed July 23, arrived September 18, 50 days; *Egypt*, sailed July 25, arrived September 30, 56 days; *Sea Gull*, sailed August 1, arrived September 26, 58 days; *Friendship*, sailed August 4, arrived October 4, 61 days; *Lord of the Isles*, sailed August 7, arrived October 21, 76 days; *Croce*, sailed August 22, arrived November 3, 73 days; *Nyasa*, (sailing vessel) sailed July 2, arrived November 9, 130 days; *Thermopylae*, (sailing vessel), sailed July 8, arrived November 1, 116 days; *Tom Morton*, sailed August 22, arrived November 3, 73 days; *Fochou*, *Herald*.

**Messrs. Hedges & Co.'s Weekly Shipping Report**, dated Pagoda Anchorage, Siam, December, 1875.—

**Arrivals During the Week**—Dec. 27, *Celbri*, from Amoy; 23, *Kwangtung*, from Hongkong; *Fidlio*, from Chefoo; 30, *Departures During the Week*—Dec. 26, *Nanmc*, for Hongkong; 29, *Kwangtung*, for Hongkong.

**Shipping in Port**—*Cyclop*, *Midge*, *Charlie Palmer*, *Celbri*, *Fidlio*, and *Douglas*.

## INQUIRIES.

An Inquest was held this afternoon (5th) on the body of one John Dodd Smith, before Mr. James Russell, at the temporary Government Civil Hospital, with Messrs. Antonio Espantos, Charles Fubut and H. Everitt, as jurors.

Mr. J. R. White was first called:—I am the proprietor of the *Stag Hotel*. I knew the deceased, who came to board in the house on the 29th ulto. I understood that he fell out with his captain on board the Canton steamer *Ichang* wherein he had been the chief officer, so that he had to return by the *Kingston*. He told me so the same day when he came into the house. He was what I fancy to be one who indulged rather freely in drinks.

Mr. Breton said he was not instructed by them in their private capacity, as friends of the girl.

Mr. Russell asked Mr. Breton what his instructions were, and whether they were given by Lee Sing and Lee Tuk Cheong in their private capacity.

Mr. Breton said he was not instructed by the girl. The girl was remanded, the girl instead of being sent to the gaol, was sent to the Hospital. But the Committee had no earthly reason to take upon themselves to initiate the prosecution at all.

Mr. Breton said the girl came from the Hospital, and he thought therefore that the prosecution came from them. Probably they had communicated with the Registrar General on the subject.

Mr. Russell asked Mr. Breton what his instructions were, and whether they were given by Lee Sing and Lee Tuk Cheong in their private capacity.

Mr. Breton said he was not instructed by the girl.

Mr. Russell asked if Mr. Breton could inform the Court whether any authority had been conferred on the Hospital Committee by the Legislature or by the Executive to interfere in matters of this kind.

Mr. Breton said he would not contend that any such power has been conferred on them.

Mr. Russell.—Then, this is a self-constituted body.

Mr. Breton was understood to acquiesce in that definition.

Mr. May observed that the object and purpose of the incorporation of the Hospital was clearly defined by the Ordinance. He then proceeded to read the section of the Ordinance (3 of 8 of 1866) as follows:—

"The corporation is erected for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a Public Free Hospital for the treatment of the indigent sick among the Chinese population to be supported by Voluntary contributions, and governed by a Board of Direction." Here the object of the corporation was solely to look after the indigent sick.

Mr. Russell, referring to the Ordinance, said he did not observe the names of Lee Sing and Lee Tuk Cheong in the schedule containing the names of those forming the corporation.

Mr. Breton imagined that one of them was on the list.

Mr. Russell said he did not see any unless Lee Yuk Hang was one of them.

Mr. Breton said Lee Sing was the same person as Lee Yuk Hang.

Mr. Russell asked Mr. Breton what he was instructed to do in this matter.

Mr. Breton replied that he has been instructed to prosecute only yesterday afternoon, that he did not know anything of the case except from what he read in the newspaper, and from what he heard from the girl, whom he saw this morning. His idea was that the Corporation was exercising a sort of protection over the Chinese generally, and he regarded the Committee in the light of friends to the girl. He remembered on one occasion Lee Tuk Cheong took a great interest some years ago in a case where five or six men were condemned to death for a piracy and murder.

Capt. Deane was also on the Bench, and he said this was the Bowkwan murder case.

Mr. Russell asked the right of the Hospital to appear in this matter at all. Here was a corporation which assumed functions which did not belong to it, and which had set up a sort of *imperium in imperio*. Here the Registrar General was looking after the case, and another party steps in between the girl and the defendant and engages a lawyer to prosecute. The question was, could the Court recognise the right of the Hospital Committee to appear in the matter?

Mr. Breton admitted that they had no right, and could urge nothing other than that the corporation had the welfare of their fellow-Chinese at heart, and who rendered assistance to those who were in need of it, like the girl in this case. And but for that ground alone, he (Mr. B.) would have no *bona fide* stand.

Mr. Russell asked if Mr. Breton came to the conclusion infinately only that he was instructed by the Hospital Committee.

Mr. Breton replied that he only inferred that he was instructed by the Committee as Committee men, were there.

Mr. May observed that he thought it would be a misappropriation of the funds to spend them for the purposes of prosecuting cases like this, instead of applying them for maintaining the indigent sick.

Mr. Russell asked, if they instructed Mr. Breton as Committee men, were there

the funds to come from?

Mr. Breton said he was not in a position to say. He had not received the funds yet.

Mr. Russell asked if Mr. Breton understood that he was instructed by Lee Sing and Lee Tuk Cheong as Committee of the Hospital.

Mr. Breton replied that certainly he did.

After a short pause, Mr. Breton said that after the expression of opinion which had fallen from their Worship, the proper course for him to do was to retire from the case.

Mr. Russell asked Mr. Breton how he would argue as a lawyer his grounds for appearing on behalf of the Hospital Committee.

Mr. Breton said the only ground was

that the Committee were in charge of a charitable institution, and that they might

state further evidence.

## Police Intelligence.

(Both Magistrates sitting.)

Jan. 5, 1876.

### BREAK OF ORDINANCE 4 OF 1875.

Wong Aaz, a married woman, was again brought up for a breach of the above Ordinance.

Mr. Breton appeared for the prosecution.

The Magistrate asked him for whom he appeared, and who instructed him.

Mr. Breton replied that he was instructed by the Committee of the Tung Wah Hospital.

He was instructed by Lee Sing and Lee Tuk Cheong to prosecute on behalf of the Tung Wah Hospital.

He got instructions directly from Lee Tuk Cheong and Lee Sing of the Wohang Hong.

He understood that these men were on the Hospital Committee.

He was instructed to appear as Committee-men and not in their private capacity as friends of the girl.

The impression on his mind was that

the prosecution was initiated by the Hospital Committee; the girl having come from the Hospital, he concluded therefore that the prosecution had been taken up by the Committee.

Mr. Russell asked him for whom he appeared, and who instructed him.

Mr. Breton replied that he was instructed by Lee Sing and Lee Tuk Cheong, who had represented his office.

They both came to his office.

He had no personal communication with Lee Tuk Cheong.

It was done through the medium of his interpreter.

Mr. Breton then withdrew from the case.

Inspector Whitehead was recalled, and stated that he had not been able to execute the warrant against the man Ko Lo Cheung, who he heard had run away from the Colony. Witness had also visited the Sang Kee Club, No. 58 Wellington Street.

The girl pointed out a room on the third floor into which she was taken in the 8th moon.

The room was a snug little place

and it was difficult to hear any voices proceeding from it.

The next compartment was

fitted up as a sort of club room.

The second floor belonged to the club, and consisted of a series of bed-rooms.

The girl made a statement to the Committee of the Hospital in which the name of a compadre occurred several times.

He believed some of the Committee had an ill-feeling

against this compadre; he believed it only, and had no reason to say this beyond mere conjecture.

He had seen the girl's statement in the Registrar General's office.

The girl was recalled and stated that a statement in writing was taken from her at the Tung Wah Hospital.

The statement was taken down by the Clerk of the Hospital.

There were three or four men

present, but she could not say whether they were Committee-men or not.

The girl was remanded.

The case was then further remanded till Friday next.

The defendant was admitted to bail the same as before ordered.

SEARCH OF SHIPWRECK ORBANIA.

Lui Wai Tai, master of the Wing Fat Opium Shop, Jervois Street, was summoned by the Surveyor General for a branch of

subsection 2 of section 2 and section 16 of

Ordinance No. 8 of 1866 in reference to

tenement No. 6 West Street.

Mr. Neate, the Inspector of Buildings, proved an encroachment on Crown Land in the rear of lot 96. He also complained of the insufficiency of the foundations. The case was postponed till the 11th inst.

BURGLARIES.

John Watson, seaman, American ship

New Era, was charged with the above offence.

In consideration of the ship being

about to sail, the defendant was discharged.

Mr. Russell, referring to the Ordinance, said he did not observe the names of Lee

Sing and Lee Tuk Cheong in the schedule

containing the names of those forming the corporation.

Mr. Breton imagined that one of them

was on the list.

Mr. Russell said he did not see any unless Lee Yuk Hang was one of them.

Mr. Breton said Lee Sing was the same person as Lee Yuk Hang.

Mr. Russell asked Mr. Breton what he was instructed to do in this matter.

Mr. Breton replied that he has been instructed to prosecute only yesterday afternoon, that he did not know anything of the case except from what he read in the newspaper, and from what he heard from the girl, whom he saw this morning. His idea was that the Corporation was exercising a sort of protection over the Chinese generally, and he regarded the Committee in the light of friends to the girl. He remembered on one occasion Lee Tuk Cheong took a great interest some years ago in a case where five or six men were condemned to death for a piracy and murder.

Mr. Russell asked if Mr. Breton came to the conclusion infinately only that he was instructed by the Hospital Committee.

Mr. Breton replied that he only inferred



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